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Letter dated 19 July 2011 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Cuba to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that, on 10 July 2011, the Government of the Republic of Cuba recognized the Republic of South Sudan as a sovereign and independent State and welcomed the entry of that country into the community of nations in exercise of the right of peoples to independence, sovereignty and self-determination. Please find attached a copy of the note verbal sent in that connection by the Ministry of Foreign Relations of Cuba to the Ministry of Foreign Relations of South Sudan (see annex).

On 10 July 2011, in Juba, the capital of the Republic of South Sudan, diplomatic relations were formally established between the Republic of Cuba and the Republic of South Sudan.

I should be grateful if the present letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the General Assembly under agenda item 114.

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cuba presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Relations of the Republic of South Sudan and has the honour to transmit herewith the decision of the Government of Cuba to extend a warm welcome to the Republic of South Sudan upon its entry into the community of nations in exercise of the right of peoples to independence, sovereignty and self-determination.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cuba takes this opportunity to convey to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of South Sudan the assurances of its highest consideration.